

REMARKS

Claim 42 – 59 have been allowed. However, claim 51 required amendment to overcome objection due to informalities involving the use of functional or operational language in the claim at lines 13 – 20. As currently amended, the claim recites characteristics of the structure of the claimed X-ray apparatus in compliance with the Examiner's request. Also, the period existing previously in claim 51 has been eliminated to convert the claim into the desired one sentence format. Reconsideration and entry of amended claim 51 is respectfully requested.

The undersigned representative requests any extension of time that may be deemed necessary to further the prosecution of this application.

The undersigned representative authorizes the Commissioner to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17 that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-1437, referencing Order No. 06730.0011.NPUS00.

In order to facilitate the resolution of any issues or questions presented by this paper, the Examiner is invited to directly contact the undersigned by phone to further the discussion.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tracy W. Druce".

Tracy W. Druce
Patent Attorney
Reg. No. 35,493
Tel. 713.571.3400